SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL

GOVERNOR'S SURFFISHING TOURNAMENT

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THE 17TH ANNUAL GOVERNOR'S SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT, ITS SPONSORS AND ANY PERSONS CONNECTED WITH IT SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM ANY LIABILITY WHATSOEVER. IT IS EXPRESSLY UNDERSTOOD THAT ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THIS EVENT ENTER AT THEIR OWN RISK AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR DECISIONS REGARDING SEA CONDITIONS AND THEIR OWN SAFETY.

Participants must be present to win!!!

Applicant's Signature

Date

Enclose check or money order made payable to **G.F.T.** for the total amount:

Age 18 and older-\$10

Ages 13-17-\$5

Ages 12 and under free.

Registration fees are non-refundable.

Return Application to:

Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife **PO Box 418**

Port Republic, NJ 08241

NOTE: If application is not postmarked by September 14, you will be required to register in person at the tournament! THIS BROCHURE MAY BE REPRODUCED.

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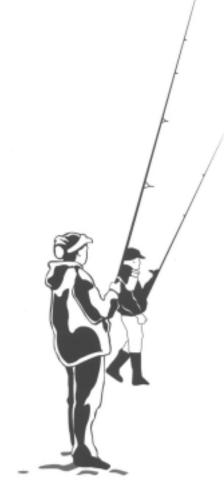
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GOVERNOR'S SURF FISHING **TOURNAMENT**



Join us FOR A DAY OF **FAMILY FUN**

OCTOBER 5, 2008

TOURNAMENT

The Governor's Annual Surf Fishing Tournament is a great opportunity to learn more about the sport of surf fishing and take advantage of a great family activity! Appreciation of our marine resources through surf fishing will hopefully build a stronger advocacy for marine resource conservation.

Exhibits featuring sportsmen's clubs, conservation organizations and tackle manufacturers will be at Pavilion #1.

Entry to the park is free to individuals who register for the surf fishing tournament.

NOTE: The purchase of a beach buggy permit is required to drive on the beach. Permit applications will be available at the park entrance. Call 732-793-0506 for information and fees.

PRIZES

The Governor has been invited to present the prizes during a special awards ceremony at the beach concession area beginning at 2:00 p.m. The individual catching the largest fish will receive the "Governor's Trophy" and have their name engraved on the Governor's Cup, which is permanently displayed at Island Beach State Park.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

PLEASE VISIT US AT

www.njfishandwildlife.com

RULES

1. Only the following fish exceeding the minimum length listed below are eligible for entry:

Bluefish–14in. Red drum–18–27in.

Weakfish-13in. Albacore-no min.

Kingfish–10 in. **Blackfish**–14 in.

Striped bass-28 in.

NOTE: Minimum length for the tournament may differ from NJ saltwater regulations.

- All fish are measured. Length determines winner, not weight. No fish can be iced prior to measuring. In the event of a tie, the first fish entered and measured is the winner.
- 3. Participants are only eligible to win one category.
- 4. Participants must be present to claim any prizes during this event.
- All anglers must sign an affidavit attesting to the authenticity and method of catch prior to entering their catch. A witness is required if the fish is to be measured and released.
- 6. All participants should register their first fish even if it is known that a larger fish has already been caught.

- 7. Fish caught from any boat, surfboard or other floating device will **NOT** be eligible.
- 8. Fish may be caught from any OCEANSIDE part of the park from the park entrance to the North Jetty, and the inlet to the dune line. No bayside fishing of any kind will be allowed.
- 9. Terminal tackle will be limited to 2 hooks. A plug counts as 1 hook. Individuals are limited to 2 rods while fishing.
- 10. Only one fish per person per species will be eligible for prizes. Anglers may enter fish of more than one species.
- 11. Judges will make a vertical cut in the tail to show the fish has been measured, unless it is immediately released alive.
- 12. All established park regulations apply.
- 13. Please bring sufficient bait.
- 14. All fish MUST be measured where caught!
- 15. Refer to the current Marine *DIGEST* for saltwater fishing regulations.

FUNDS

RAISED BY THE TOURNAMENT GO TOWARD:

- Marine Education
- Marine restoration efforts
- Surf fishing access

- Construction of access ramps for disabled saltwater anglers
- Surf fishing instruction programs and equipment
- Purchase of specialized wheelchairs that provide the disabled and elderly beach access

TIME AND PLACE

Weather permitting, the tournament will be held **Sunday**, **October 5**, **2008** at Island Beach State Park in Ocean County.

Storm/hurricane date is Sunday, October 12th. NOTE: It will take extreme conditions to force cancellation.

In the event of a storm, please call the Island Beach State Park at 732-793-0506 for more information.

Schedule

6:30 a.m1:00	p.m		. Fishin
1:30 p.m2:00	p.m	Raffle	Drawing
2:00 p.m		Awards C	eremon

Mail in Registration Fee

Age 18 and older-\$10

Ages 13-17-\$5

Ages 12 and under are free. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult and are still required to register.

REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE \$5.00 ON ADULT FEES

Day of Tournament Registration Fee
Registration Opens 5:00 a.m. Sunday at Pavilion #1

Age 18 and older-\$15 Ages 13-17-\$5 Ages 12 & under-FREE

Early Entry Incentive

IF POSTMARKED BY SEPTEMBER 14, 2008 YOU WILL:

- ◆ Save on adult registration fee!
- Be eligible for special prizes offered to preregistrants on the day of the tournament.
- ◆ Avoid Delays! Pre-registration will ensure timely entry to the park.

Food and beverages will be available for sale from **C.T.'s BAR-B-QUE**